

Advisor FAQs



1. What is the House STEM App Competition?

This new competition was designed to engage students' creativity and encourage their participation in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education fields. Established by Members of the House of Representatives in 2013, this competition is a nationwide event that allows high school students to compete by creating and exhibiting their software application, or "app," for mobile, tablet, or computer devices on a platform of their choosing.

The winner from each district will have their app recognized on the U.S. House of Representative's website (www.House.gov) and displayed at the U.S. Capitol.

2. What are the dates for the 2014 House STEM App Competition?

Submissions run from February 1 to April 30. A winner will be named by May 30.

3. What will an Advisor do?

The principle role of an Advisor will be to provide guidance to students participating in the Competition. Throughout the competition period, participating Advisors will be provided with various opportunities to engage with participating students in order to mentor and assist them in the development of their app.

4. Who makes a good advisor?

An ideal advisor would be a local individual with professional experience in fields ranging from software project development to general computer programming.

5. What is the commitment?

There will be a variety of opportunities and means for an Advisor to mentor participating students. We will work with Advisors to schedule activities based upon their availability.

6. What workshop dates?

There are currently two workshops tentatively scheduled: Monday, March 10 from 4pm-7pm and Saturday, April 5 from 9am-12pm.

7. How many Advisors are do you need?

We are aiming to have five Advisors.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Andrew Holding at Andrew.Holding@mail.house.gov or (480) 946-9411.



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